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### REMARKS

Claims 1-18 were pending in the application. By this paper, Applicant has cancelled Claims 1-18 without prejudice, and added Claims 19-49. Accordingly, Claims 19-49 are presented herein for examination.

#### *Specification*

Applicant herein has amended the specification to include current information on related applications. Applicant submits that these amendments add no new matter.

#### *Information Disclosure Statement*

Applicant submits herewith an information disclosure statement and associated PTO Form 1449 citing fifteen (15) references.

#### *New Claims*

By this paper, Applicant has added new Claims 19-49. Support for these claims is found at, *inter alia*, Figs. 3-9 (and supporting discussion thereof) of the specification as originally filed.

#### *Other Remarks*

Applicant submits that the claims as presented herein distinguish over and are non-obvious in light of the art cited herein. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 19-49 are in condition for allowance.

Applicant hereby specifically reserves the right to prosecute claims of different or broader scope in a continuation or divisional application.

Applicant notes that any claim cancellations or additions made herein are made solely for the purposes of more clearly and particularly describing and claiming the invention, and not for purposes of overcoming art or for patentability. The Examiner should infer no (i) adoption of a position with respect to patentability, (ii) change in the Applicant's position with respect to any claim or subject matter of the invention, or (iii) acquiescence in any way to any position taken by the Examiner, based on such cancellations or additions.

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If the Examiner has any questions or comments that may be resolved over the telephone, he/she is requested to call the undersigned at (858) 675-1670.

Respectfully submitted,

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